



Republic of the Philippines
 PROVINCE OF CAGAYAN
 City of Tuguegarao
SEVENTH CITY COUNCIL



EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION
 OF THE SEVENTH CITY COUNCIL OF TUGUEGARAO CITY, CAGAYAN
 HELD ON JUNE 27, 2017, 9:00 A.M., TUESDAY,
 AT THE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD SESSION HALL

PRESENT:

Hon. Kendrick S. Calubaquib	Sangguniang Panlungsod Member/Acting City Vice Mayor Temporary Presiding Officer
Hon. Maila Rosario T. Que	Sangguniang Panlungsod Member
Hon. Arnel T. Arugay	-do-
Hon. Gilbert S. Labang	-do-
Hon. Imogen Claire M. Callangan	-do-
Hon. Raymund P. Guzman	-do-
Hon. Grace B. Arago	-do-
Hon. Anthony C. Tuddao	-do-
Hon. Jose Pedro G. Velasco	-do-

ABSENT:

Hon. Jude T. Bayona	Sangguniang Panlungsod Member (on Sick Leave)
Hon. Mary Marjorie P. Martin-Chan	-do- (on Sick Leave)
Hon. Winnoco R. Abraham	Sangguniang Panlungsod Member

NOTE:

Hon. Danilo L. Baccay	Acting City Mayor
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CITY RESOLUTION NO. 216-2017

**A RESOLUTION AMENDING SECTIONS 18, 34, 62 AND 65
 OF THE INTERNAL RULES OF PROCEDURE**

WHEREAS, the request titled "To revisit and introduce amendments to the Internal Rules of Procedure (IRP) to include determination of quorum during Committee Meetings, Guidelines and Procedures on Inhibition and Abstention, Disposition of Administrative Cases and Others" was endorsed to the Seventh City Council;

WHEREAS, the Committee on Rules, Laws and Ethics met on May 30, 2017 and June 5, 2017 to tackle the subject referral with the other Sangguniang Panlungsod Members;

WHEREAS, the Seventh City Council in its Regular Session held on July 05, 2016 enacted City Resolution No. 098-2016 titled "Resolution Updating the Existing Internal Rules of Procedure of the Sangguniang Panlungsod of Tuguegarao City";

WHEREAS, there is a need for the amendment of some of the provisions of the Internal Rules of Procedure for the efficient and effective enactment of ordinances and resolutions for the general welfare of the people and to be attuned to the needs of time.

WHEREAS, After a thorough discussion on the Internal Rules of Procedure of the Sangguniang Panlungsod of Tuguegarao City and noting all the observations, suggestions, recommendations and

amendments of the Committee members and other Sangguniang Panlungsod Members present, amendments have been introduced;

WHEREAS, the Committee recommends for the adoption and approval of the Amendments to the Internal Rules of Procedure enumerated below without prejudice to the submission of other amendments by the other Sangguniang Panlungsod Members;

SECTION 18. COMMITTEE PROCEDURES

B. Quorum - To expedite proceedings, the committee chair, vice chair or any duly authorized member present could proceed with the conduct of the initial or preliminary meeting, hence, a quorum is not required, however, all committee members are duty bound to attend all committee hearings.

In the event the committee chair could not make it for a valid reason, he/she could relinquish the chairmanship to the vice chair or any of its members present in the meeting.

During the preparation of the committee report or when there is a decision to be made, a quorum which is the presence of the majority of the members of the committee is required. Unexplained absences in four consecutive meetings shall operate to relinquish membership therein.

SECTION 34. Question Hour

There shall be a Question Hour on the second and fourth regular sessions of the month. A department head may be requested to appear and be heard on any matter pertaining his/her department. Resource persons may also be invited to appear to assist the Sangguniang Panlungsod on matters pertaining their fields of expertise on important issues in aid of legislation.

Any member who wishes to invite a resource person should state the subject, the valid reasons and the questions to be asked, and must seek the concurrence of the Body.

The inviting member must prepare the questions ahead of time to give the resource person an ample time to review and prepare. The resource person should be invited 3 or 4 days before the session day.

The Question Hour shall be limited to 2 resource persons per session, each with 30 minutes only. Further, invitations and inquiries should be in aid of legislation.

In case of extreme urgency, the Regular Presiding Officer/Temporary Presiding Officer may decide to invite a resource person immediately on the session with justifiable reason upon the concurrence of the Body.

SECTION 62. Inhibition and Abstention

A. Inhibition – Any member may inhibit on a question in which he/she has direct or personal pecuniary interest.

B. Abstention - any member may participate in the discussion but if he/she is not agreeing with the discussion, he/she may opt to vote or not to vote. Further, no member may be compelled to vote, however, this does not preclude any member from voting for himself/herself as candidate for any position in the Sangguniang Panlungsod.

SECTION 65. Right to vote before result – A member who arrives before the second reading at the session shall be permitted to vote, provided the result of the voting has not been announced yet by the chair.

Physical presence is required to register a vote. If a member should leave before the votation and has manifested his/her vote, the vote is considered invalid and should be noted in the minutes that he/she was not around during the votation and beside his/her name in the ordinance or resolution, a notation "out of

the session hall during votation” or “left the session hall” shall be made. Advanced voting for any matter in the agenda that has not yet put into question is not allowed.

A member should manifest on record that he/she will not participate in the discussion and his/her vote will be considered abstention.

NOW, THEREFORE, RESOLVE, as it is hereby **RESOLVED**, To Amend Sections 18, 34, 62 and 65 of the Internal Rules of Procedure.

On motion of Hon. Raymund P. Guzman, duly seconded by Hon. Grace B. Arago and with seven (7) members voting in favor (Hon. Arugay, Hon. Labang, Hon. Callangan, Hon. Guzman, Hon. Arago, Hon. Tuddao and Hon. Velasco) and one (1) against (Hon. Que), **CITY RESOLUTION NO. 216-2017** was **APPROVED** on its Third and Final Reading under suspended rules.

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I HEREBY CERTIFY TO THE CORRECTNESS OF THE FOREGOING:


JOEL JOSEPH L. EGIPTO, Ph.D.
Secretary to the Sanggunian

ATTESTED:


HON. KENDRICK S. CALUBAQUIB
Sanggunian Panlungsod Member/Acting City Vice Mayor
Temporary Presiding Officer